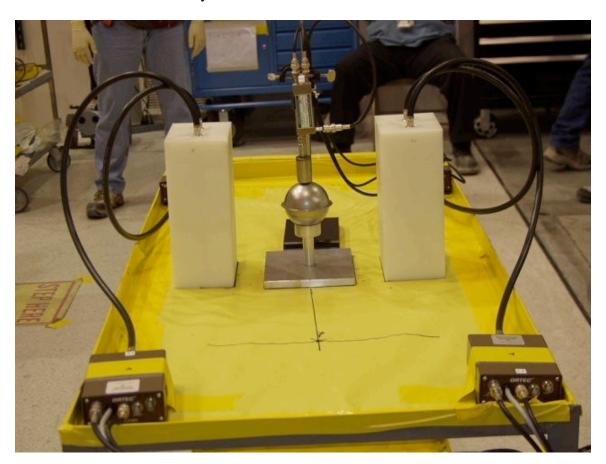
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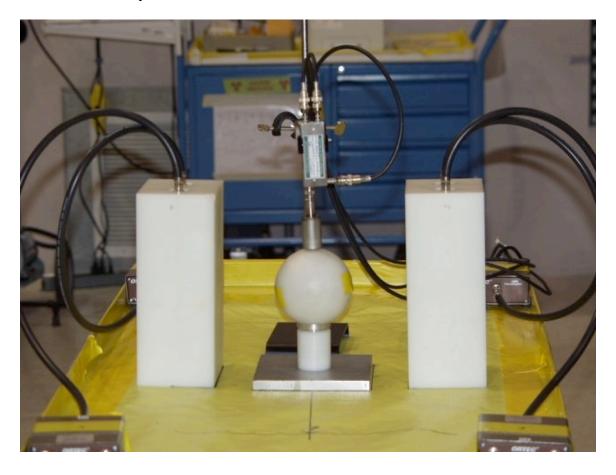
A bit more good news from Nevada. During the week of 9 July 2007, we conducted our first experiment in support of the DOE national Nuclear Criticality Safety Program (NCSP). The experiment was a subcritical noise experiment using the BRP ball surrounded by polyethylene. This experiment is a huge milestone for us as it demonstrates: (1) that we can do real hands-on work with our nuclear materials to support our customers, and (2) that we can construct and measure Radiation Test Objects (RTOs). (We're not supercritical yet, but give us a few years!)

Michael Thompson, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Facility and Infrastructure Acquisition and Operation (NA-17), was kind enough to drop by to observe the experiment and present the entire team with a U.S. DOE Appreciation Award. A few pics are provided below.

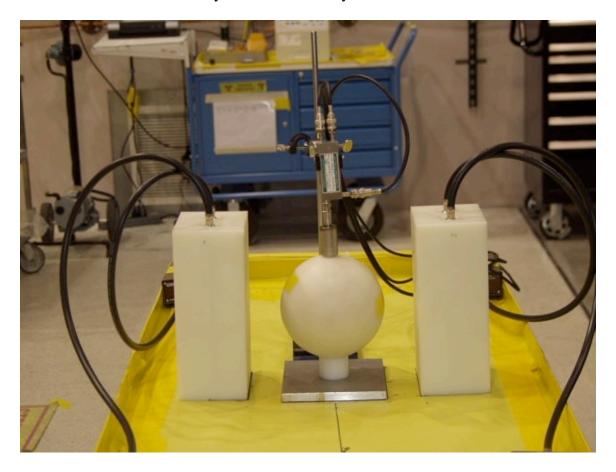
## BRP Ball with Detector Array



## BRP Ball with Poly



BRP Ball with 3-inches of Poly and Detector Array



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